IN THE HIGH COURT OF KERALA AT ERNAKULAM

PRESENT :

THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE C.N.RAMACHANDRAN NAIR

FRIDAY, THE 7TH SEPTEMBER 2007 / 16TH BHADRA 1929

WP(C).No. 26731 of 2007(G)

PETITIONER:

ANNIE VARGHESE,
W/O.VARGHESE, AGED 48 YEARS,
KANAKKANATT HOUSE, 44/2825,
LINK GARDENS HOUSING COLONY,
GEORGE EADEN ROAD, KALOOR, PIN-682 017.

BY ADV. SRI.C.A.CHACKO
SMT.C.M.CHARISMA
SRI.N.A.SHAFEEK

RESPONDENTS: 1

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1. ASST.EXECUTIVE ENGINEER,
WATER SUPPLY SUB DIVISION, KERALA WATER
AUTHORITY,KALAMASSERY, PIN -683 104.

2. TAHSILDAR (R.R)
KANAYANNUR TALUK, ERNZKULAM,
KOCHI-11.

3. VILLAGE OFFICER,
ELAMKULAM.

R1 BY ADV. SRI.M.DINESH, SC

THIS WRIT PETITION (CIVIL) HAVING COME UP FOR ADMISSION ON 07/09/2007, THE COURT ON THE SAME DAY DELIVERED THE FOLLOWING:

C.N.RAMACHANDRAN NAIR, J.

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W.P.(C) No.26731 of 2007

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Dated this the 7th day of September, 2007.

JUDGMENT

Disputed water bill which is above Rs.3.7 lakhs is issued in respect of connection given to the petitioner in a construction site. Standing Counsel for Water Authority submitted that connection is for non-domestic purpose and only actual consumption is billed. Having regard to the contentions raised and since appeal is provided against disputed water bill before the Executive Engineer, I direct the petitioner to deposit rupees one lakh and file an appeal before the Executive Engineer against the disputed bill within a period of three weeks from now. If appeal is filed as above after payment, the Executive Engineer will hear the petitioner and first respondent, verify the records, conduct enquiry and hear the petitioner and pass orders in the appeal within two months from the date of filing the same. Recovery and disconnection will remain stayed for three weeks and if rupees one lakh is paid, recovery will remain stayed for two months thereafter. Recovery thereafter will be subject to orders in appeal.

W.P. is disposed of as above.

C.N.RAMACHANDRAN NAIR
Judge

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